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In re Application of: Werner THIELE et al. Confirmation No.
Application No.: Group Art Unit:
Filing Date: November 20, 2003 Examiner:
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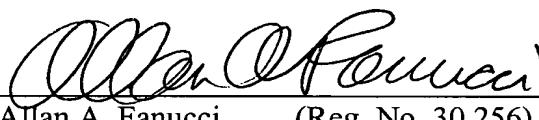
Pursuant to applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, enclosed is a PTO form 1449 which lists (2) references for the Examiner's review and consideration.

Pursuant to the recent rule change in the Official Gazette, copies of the U.S. references are not submitted. It is respectfully requested that these references be made of record in this application by the Examiner's completion and return of the PTO Form 1449.

No fee or certification is believed to be due for this submission since the references are being submitted concurrent with the filing of this application. Should any fees be required, however, please charge such fees to **Winston & Strawn Deposit Account No. 50-1814.**

Respectfully submitted,

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